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REPELLENCY AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING  
THE SAME

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present application, please consider the following.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.